

**Outer Continental Shelf (OCS)
Scientific Committee Meeting
May 22-24, 2007
New Orleans, Louisiana
Tuesday, May 22, 2007
Fleur De Lis Ballroom (2nd Floor)**

8:00 a.m.	Welcome and Introductions	Dr. Robert Diaz , Chair Mr. James Cimato , MMS
8:20 a.m.	MMS Director's Welcome, Presentation, and Discussion	Mr. Robert LaBelle , MMS
8:45 a.m.	Gulf of Mexico OCS Region Update	Mr. Lars Herbst , MMS
9:30 a.m.	Alternate Energy Update Subcommittee on Alternative and Renewable Energy	Ms. Maureen Bornholdt , MMS Dr. Michael Fry , Chair
10:15 a.m. – 10:45 a.m. Break		
10:45 a.m.	Report from the last OCS Policy Committee Meeting	Dr. Victor G. Carrillo , Chair
11:00 a.m.	Overview of the Gulf of Mexico Alliance	Dr. Byron Griffith , EPA
11:30 a.m.	Efforts to workout collaborative programs in advance	Mr. James Cimato , MMS
12:00 noon – 1:30 p.m. Lunch		
1:30 p.m.	Some Highlights of the MMS <i>Environmental Studies Program</i> and Our Goal for the Next Day-and-Half	Mr. James Cimato , MMS
1:45 p.m.	Summary of Alaska Subcommittee Activities Summary of Deepwater Subcommittee Activities	Dr. Michael Castellini , Chair Dr. Joe Smith , Chair
2:15 p.m.	MMS/LSU Coastal Marine Institute Update	Dr. Larry Rouse , Director
3:00 p.m. – 3:15 p.m. Break		
3:15 p.m.	MMS/LSU Coastal Marine Institute Update (continued)	Dr. Larry Rouse , Director
4:00 p.m.	Proposed Final Program Outer Continental Shelf Oil and Gas Leasing Program 2007-2012	Ms. Renee Orr , MMS
4:30 p.m.	The Offshore Imperative, Shell Oil's Search for Petroleum in Postwar America	Dr. Tyler Priest , SC Member
6:00 p.m.	Recess	

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Wednesday, May 23, 2007
Marigny, Ursuline, & Fontainebleau Boardrooms (2nd Floor)**

7:50 a.m., – Charge to the Discipline **Dr. Robert Diaz, Chair**
8:00 a.m.. Subcommittees

Physical Sciences, Biology, and Socioeconomic Disciplines meet separately to discuss national and regional studies plans.

	Marigny	Ursuline	Fontainebleau
	Biology/Ecology or Interdisciplinary	Physical Sciences	Social Sciences
8:00 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.	Pacific	OPEN ROOM	Gulf of Mexico
9:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. BREAK			
10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.	Alaska	Gulf of Mexico	Alaska
12:00 p.m. – 1:30 p.m. LUNCH			
1:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.	Gulf of Mexico	Alaska	Gulf of Mexico & Alaska
3:30 p.m. – 3:45 p.m. BREAK			
3:45 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.	Biology/Ecology Chairs and MMS Recorder Finalize Recommendations	Physical Sciences Chairs and MMS Recorder Finalize Recommendations	Social Sciences Chairs and MMS Recorder Finalize Recommendations

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Thursday, May 24, 2007
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8:00 a.m.	Plenary Session Opening Comments	Dr. Robert Diaz, Chair
8:05 a.m.	Peer-Review Update	Ms. Elizabeth Burkhard, MMS
8:20 a.m.	Discipline Subcommittee Reports (20 minutes each) <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Biology• Physical Oceanography• Socioeconomics• Open Discussion of Subcommittee Reports	
	9:35 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.	Break
10:00 a.m.	Open Discussion of Subcommittee Reports (continued)	
10:45 a.m.	Public Comment	
11:15 a.m.	Committee Business <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Items for Letter to the Director• Emerging Issues/Topics of Interest• Other Business• Dates and locations for the next meeting	
12:00 noon	Adjourn	